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(Troy Breitmair)Docket No.: 21987-00054-US  
(PATENT)**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Katsuki Hazama

Application No.: 09/817,123 ✓

Group Art Unit: 3714

Filed: March 27, 2001

Examiner: Robert E. Mosser

For: DATA CARRIER, GAME MACHINE USING  
DATA CARRIER, INFORMATION  
COMMUNICATION METHOD,  
INFORMATION COMMUNICATION,  
AUTOMATED TRAVELLING CONTROL  
SYSTEM AND STORING MEDIUM

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 20, 2003 (Paper No. 4), Applicant hereby provisionally elects, without traverse, Group I, Claim 1 and 6-15 for continued examination.

The Examiner states that the subject application contains claims directed to three patentably distinct inventions as follows:

Group I, Claim 1 and 6-15 are drawn to a plurality of multi-value memory cells, classified in class 711, subclass 101;

Group II, Claims 2 and 3 are drawn to lot selection, classified in class 463, subclass 16;  
and

Group III, Claims 5, 16 and 17 are drawn to determining object orientation, classified in class 342, subclass 56.

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The Examiner has required restriction between Claims 1-17 because Groups I, II and II are related as combination (I) and sub-combinations (II and III).

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21987-00054-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: July 9, 2003  
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Respectfully submitted,

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Will do. Thanks.

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>>> <NicdaGreek@aol.com> 07/08/03 12:38 >>>  
Hi Larry,

For the above case (09/817,123) please elect and pursue claims 1 and 6 - 15.

Thanks,

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*please find  
case & prepare  
a response to  
the Restriction Requirement*